

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1 – 10 are pending in the application.

The Examiner is thanked for the indication that claims 4 – 10 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In conformity therewith, claim 1 has been amended by incorporating therein allowable claim 4 and intervening claims 2 and 3. Allowable claim 5 has been amended by incorporating therein base claim 1 and intervening claims 2 and 3. Finally, allowable claim 10 has been amended by incorporating base claim 1 therein.

Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1 – 10 are now in condition for allowance. However, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, the undersigned would very much welcome a telephone call from him in order to discuss any outstanding issues and to expedite placement of the application into condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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